

James Cameron Quotes

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Imagination is a force that can actually manifest a reality. Don't put limitations on yourself. Others will do that for you.

~James Cameron

People call me a perfectionist, but I'm not. I'm a rightist. I do something until it's right, and then I move on to the next thing.

~James Cameron

Hope is not a strategy. Luck is not a factor. Fear is not an option.

~James Cameron

If you set your goals ridiculously high and it's a failure, you will fail above everyone else's success.

~James Cameron

I do an awful lot of scuba diving. I love to be on the ocean, under the ocean. I live next to the ocean.

~James Cameron

There are many talented people who haven't fulfilled their dreams because they over thought it, or they were too cautious, and were unwilling to make the leap of faith.

~James Cameron

James Cameron doesn't do what James Cameron does for James Cameron. James Cameron does what James Cameron does because James Cameron is... James Cameron.

~James Cameron

There seems to be a lot of excitement around something that, to me, is a yawn, frankly.

~James Cameron

Your imagination can create a reality

~James Cameron

There is a vast frontier that's going to take us a while to understand... it was very lunar, a very desolate place, isolated.

~James Cameron

Here's my philosophy in life: If there's a fire, you put it out. If there's a flood, you fill sandbags and you build a dike. You roll up your sleeves and you get to work.

~James Cameron

When you have the feeling that anything's possible, sometimes you wind up acting on it.

~James Cameron

The magic doesn't come from within the director's mind, it comes from within the hearts of the actors.

~James Cameron

Your only competitors are your past achievements.

~James Cameron

Sometimes your whole life boils down to one insane move.

~James Cameron

I had read tons of science fiction. I was fascinated by other worlds, other environments. For me, it was fantasy, but it was not fantasy in the sense of pure escapism.

~James Cameron

Every time you dive, you hope you'll see something new - some new species. Sometimes the ocean gives you a gift, sometimes it doesn't.

~James Cameron

Targets and timetables do matter. But there is a dispirited feeling that the U.S. just rejects multilateral target-setting for the time being.

~James Cameron

Don't get seduced by your own stuff; work hard to keep a blank slate state of mind each time you watch your film.

~James Cameron

Inspiration can hit you in the head at any time in any context. It could happen in a conversation. Talking to someone at a party, you can get an idea. But you've got to remember those inspirations.

~James Cameron

I had pictured myself as a filmmaker but I had never pictured myself as a director if that makes any sense at all.

~James Cameron

The future is not set. There is no fate but what we make.

~James Cameron

You have to not listen to the nay sayers because there will be many and often they'll be much more qualified than you and cause you to sort of doubt yourself.

~James Cameron

When the ship docks, I'm getting off with you. This is crazy. I know it doesn't make any sense, that's why I trust it.

~James Cameron

I love short trips to New York; to me it is the finest three-day town on earth.

~James Cameron

It's not a requirement to eat animals, we just choose to do it, so it

becomes a moral choice and one that is having a huge impact on the planet, using up resources and destroying the biosphere.

~James Cameron

The snake kills by squeezing very slowly. This is how the civilized world slowly, slowly pushes into the forest and takes away the world that used to be.

~James Cameron

Broken Horses is an artistic triumph. Beautifully written, acted and imaged, this film wraps slowly around you like a king snake and squeezes.

~James Cameron

I'm hopeful that we'll be able to study the ocean before we destroy it.

~James Cameron

Usually, when you go to a movie, your consciousness floats above the film. 3D sucks you in and makes it a visceral experience.

~James Cameron

Rose: You're crazy. Jack: That's what everybody says but, with all due respect, Miss, I'm not the one hanging off the back of a ship here. Come on. C'mon, give me your hand. You don't want to do this.

~James Cameron

It was long ago in my life as a simple reporter that I decided that facts must never get in the way of truth.

~James Cameron

All my films are love stories.

~James Cameron

Jack: Where to, Miss? Rose: To the stars.

~James Cameron

Rose: But now you know there was a man named Jack Dawson and that he saved me... in every way that a person can be saved

~James Cameron

I am king of the world!

~James Cameron

My mother was a housewife but she was also an artist. My father was an electrical engineer.

~James Cameron

We have a great responsibility. Whatever we make will become the truth, the visual reality that a generation will accept.

~James Cameron

The film industry is about saying 'no' to people, and inherently you cannot take 'no' for an answer.

~James Cameron

Rose: You have a gift Jack, you do. You see people. Jack: I see you.
Rose: And? Jack: You wouldn't have jumped.

~James Cameron

I don't look at scripts. I just write them.

~James Cameron

I love it when I have a nightmare to me that means I got my money's worth out of that eight hours

~James Cameron

I blame it on Walt Disney, where animals are given human qualities. People don't understand that a wild animal is not something that is nice

to pat. It can seriously harm you.

~James Cameron

I'm certainly not a fan of conversion when you could shoot the movie in 3-D.

~James Cameron

So much of literary sci-fi is about creating worlds that are rich and detailed and make sense at a social level. We'll create a world for people and then later present a narrative in that world.

~James Cameron

I certainly didn't think of myself as gifted. The standards for being gifted in my environment were if you were good in Little League or if you were good in football.

~James Cameron

The quickest way to destroy ocean science is to take human explorers out of the water

~James Cameron

If you want to move through a virtual reality it's called a video game, it's been around forever.

~James Cameron

It took me a long time to realize that you have to have a bit of an interlanguage with actors. You have to give them something that they can act with.

~James Cameron

God wears white flannels.

~James Cameron

I don't just want to be associated with a few good 3D movies and the

audience is saying all of the other ones are crap.

~James Cameron

The films that influenced me were so disparate that there's almost no pattern.

~James Cameron

If you faced a long hungry period with nothing between you and starvation but a bit of barley and a pig, you'd be better off turning the barley into beer and letting the pig starve.

~James Cameron

The nation that leads in renewable energy will be the nation that leads the world 10, 20 years from now.

~James Cameron

You can't really call yourself an environmentalist if you're still consuming animals. You just can't.

~James Cameron

You know, in the film making business no one ever gives you anything.

~James Cameron

That worst evil of long dictatorships: the loss of all political experience.

~James Cameron

If it was up to the studio, everything would be shot with a camcorder.

~James Cameron

The last I checked, 'Titanic' worldwide has grossed \$1.3 billion. Imagine how much more it would have grossed if I had gotten the sky correct.

~James Cameron

You're so stupid, Rose!

~James Cameron

I dreamed I was a soldier who could bring peace. Sooner or later, though, you always have to wake up.

~James Cameron

What are you gonna do, talk the alien to death?

~James Cameron

It's really the sense of isolation, more than anything, realizing how tiny you are down in this big vast black unknown and unexplored place.

~James Cameron

Any direct experience that I have with indigenous peoples and their plights may feed into the nature of the story I choose to tell. In fact, it almost certainly will.

~James Cameron

There is a hugely underserved population out there... those who are the least capable of paying pay the highest.

~James Cameron

Rose: You're trembling. Jack: I'll be alright.

~James Cameron

Go home, pick up your video camera, and make a film.

~James Cameron

I think people had somehow gotten the sense that we have explored everything, when that isn't the case. We so know so little about the ocean, and so much of it is being destroyed.

~James Cameron

I'm King Of The World!!!

~James Cameron

I always do makeup touch-ups myself, especially for blood, wounds, and dirt. It saves so much time.

~James Cameron

Failure is an option, fear is not.

~James Cameron

Tread softly upon the earth because the faces of the unborn look up at you.

~James Cameron

With 'Avatar,' I thought, Forget all these chick flicks and do a classic guys' adventure movie, something in the Edgar Rice Burroughs mold, like John Carter of Mars - a soldier goes to Mars.

~James Cameron

You don't rest well as long as you're seeking vengeance. I feel sad justice wasn't done, but it's time to move on and sleep well.

~James Cameron

Hate is a disease, and in 1930 I became sick with hatred.

~James Cameron

I've tried not to get sucked into the Hollywood hierarchy system. Personally, I don't like it when people are deferential to me because I'm an established filmmaker. It's a blue-collar sensibility.

~James Cameron

Nature's not our enemy, it's our sustenance; and we need it - and we need nature healthy for us to be healthy and to survive long term

~James Cameron

It's about human imagination and curiosity. What's out there? What's in the great beyond? What exists at levels we can't see with our five senses?

~James Cameron

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